

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Administration Building  
June 17, 2019  
6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Bluffton-Harrison Metropolitan School District was held on Monday, June 17, 2019, with all members present except Heath Schlagenhauf and Bruce Holland. Also in attendance was Dr. Brad Yates, Asst. Superintendent; Julie Meitzler, Asst. Superintendent; Rick Mettler, and Schlaura Linderwell, Administrators; Alyssa Moser, Administrator candidate; Lauren Brinneman, faculty member candidate; Jim Hotopp, Marcia Hotopp, Gene Biberstein; and Steve Frettinger, interested patrons; and Devan Filchak, News Banner representative.

President Murray called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

President Murray opened the meeting by commending the 108 members of the 2019 graduating class for a great commencement ceremony, congratulated the varsity baseball team on their sectional win and outstanding performance at the regional competition and reported that over 200 families are currently being served at the summer lunch program sites.

Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on May 13, 2019, were approved by consensus and appropriate signatures affixed thereon.

Vouchers for the period of May 14, 2019, through June 17, 2019, were approved by consensus and appropriate signatures affixed on the voucher register.

The Fund Reports for the month of May, 2019, were approved by consensus.

The Bank Statement for the month of May, 2019, was approved by consensus.

The Fund Transfer Report for the month of May, 2019, was approved by consensus.

Dr. Yates provided an update on business and transportation issues within the district.

Dr. Yates shared the annual nursing reports from Javon Steffen, Bethany Clem and Darcy Isch and thanked them for their continued efforts throughout the year taking care of students and staff.

Dr. Yates provided an enrollment update and reviewed past enrollment history.

The Board approved the retirement request from Lori Carr as presented and thanked her for her 19 years of service to the district. The motion by Brent Hiday and second by Julie Thompson was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the following resignations as presented. The motion by Julie Thompson and second by Brent Hiday passed unanimously.

Stacy Herrold  
Stephany Medina

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher & Head Baseball Coach  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher

Jessica Yates  
Ashley Bowling  
Tiffany Yoder  
Martin Burgan  
Mark Prible

Elem. Treasurer  
Elem. Instructional Asst.  
Elem. Spec. Ec. Instructional Asst.  
HS Custodian  
HS Boys Asst. Basketball Coach

On a motion by Brent Hiday and second by Julie Thompson, the Board approved the following employment recommendations as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Alyssa Moser

Transfer from Title 1 to Elem Asst.  
Principal

Lydia McConnell  
Jason Pierce  
Lauren Brinneman  
Erin Roush

Elem Spec. Ed Resource Room Teacher  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher  
Transfer from Grade 4 to Title 1 Reach  
Room

Megan Weldy  
Hunter Cunningham

Kdg. Summer School  
Kdg. Summer School  
(July 23-26 fill for Weldy)

Kelli Kistler  
Diana Ebbinghouse  
Katie Moser

Elem Treasurer  
Part-time HS Cafeteria  
Transfer from Part-time HS Cafeteria to  
Full-time ES Cafeteria

Rose Chism

Transfer from Full-time ES Cafeteria to  
Part-time MS Cafeteria

Ashley Bowling  
Cory Stewart  
Connor Okey  
Cary Stewart

Elem Custodian  
MS Custodian  
HS Custodian  
Transfer from HS Custodian to District  
Maintenance

Kassandra Osborn  
Stacey Franklin  
Chelsea Brugman  
Pam Roush  
Julia Johnson  
Sarah Jackson  
Tammy Funk  
Gretchen Grau  
Zella Walborn  
Nicole Wingate  
Megan Johnson  
Kim Mayer  
Tyson Brooks  
Bev Balash  
Laura Fiechter

Transp. Route Coordinator  
ES Spec. Ed PK Instructional Asst.  
Long Term Substitute (S. Lehman)  
Elem PAT Member  
Elem PAT Member  
Elem PAT Member  
Elem PAT Member  
Elem PAT Member  
Elem PAT Member  
Elem PAT Member  
MS Team Leader  
MS Team Leader  
MS Team Leader  
MS Team Leader  
MS Team Leader & Student Council  
Sponsor  
MS Team Leader

Steve Abbett

Aimee Lucabaugh	MS Team Leader
Kate Farlee	MS Student Council Sponsor
Laura Xayyachack	MS Academic Bowl Head Coach
Elizabeth Claghorn	MS Academic Bowl Coach
Tyson Brooks	MS Academic Bowl Coach
Carla Alspaugh	MS Academic Bowl Coach
Rebecca Brown	MS Robotics Club
Dustin Brown	MS Robotics Club
Cindy Brooks	Mentor for Erin McKinley
Megan Johnson	Mentor for Lauren Brinneman
Jill Bollenbacher	HS Team Leader
Jackie Chaney	HS Team Leader
John Price	HS Team Leader
Vicki Van Matre	HS Team Leader
Kevin Powell	HS Team Leader
Tami Wuest	HS Team Leader
Todd Gibson	HS Asst. Boys Basketball Coach
Spencer Harris	MS Boys Basketball Coach
Matthew Sturgeon	MS Boys Basketball Coach
John Irwin	HS Boys Asst. Basketball Coach
Laurie Baumgartner	HS Head Girls Cross Country Coach
Angie Irwin	HS Asst. Volleyball Coach (volunteer)
Gretchen Grau	HS Asst. Volleyball Coach (volunteer)
Rick Miller	HS Asst. Volleyball Coach (volunteer)
Amber Geisel	Substitute Teacher

The Board approved FMLA for Stacy Lehman from August 8th to December 2nd as presented. The motion by Brent Hiday and second by Julie Thompson passed unanimously.

The Board approved reimbursement to the Athletic Department for expenses incurred for a baseball windscreen, baseball fence cap, and improvements to the baseball field warning track as presented. The motion by Julie Thompson and second by Brent Hiday passed unanimously.

The Board approved policy AFC (Teacher Evaluation and Development Plan) on first reading as presented. The motion by Brent Hiday and second by Julie Thompson passed unanimously.

The Board approved policy IIBGA (BHMSD Student Internet and Technology Responsible Use Policy) on first reading as presented. The motion by Julie Thompson and second by Brent Hiday passed unanimously.

The Board approved policy JBCAA (Admission of Homeschooled Students on a Part-Time Basis) on first reading as presented. The motion by Brent Hiday and second by Julie Thompson passed unanimously.

The Board approved changes to policy JEB (Entrance Age) on second reading as presented. The motion by Julie Thompson and second by Brent Hiday passed unanimously.



The Board approved changes to policy JFJ (Homeless Students: Enrollment Rights & Services) on second reading as presented. The motion by Brent Hiday and second by Julie Thompson passed unanimously.

The Board approved changes to policy CI (Temporary Administrative Arrangements) on second reading as presented. The motion by Julie Thompson and second by Brent Hiday passed unanimously.

The Board approved changes to policy JR (Non-Discrimination) on second reading as presented. The motion by Brent Hiday and second by Julie Thompson passed unanimously.

The Board approved the 2019-2020 student handbooks on second reading as presented. The motion by Julie Thompson and second by Brent Hiday passed unanimously.

The Board approved the 2019-2020 food bids from Region 8 ESC as presented. The motion by Brent Hiday and second by Julie Thompson passed unanimously.

Milk & Dairy	Prairie Farms
Bread & Bakery	Aunt Millie's Bakeries
Cafeteria Food/Supplies &	Gordon Food Service
Pass Thru Value Added Commodities	

The Board approved a donation of \$390.00 from the Cheryl Rethlake Memorial Fund to be used for special education at the elementary school as presented. The motion by Julie Thompson and second by Brent Hiday passed unanimously.

The Board approved the appointment of Steve Tabor to the Wells County Library Board for a second four-year term. The motion by Brent Hiday and second by Julie Thompson passed unanimously.

Dr. Yates reported that the IEERB Annual Conference will be held on June 25<sup>th</sup> and the IDOE Finance Budget Workshop will be June 26<sup>th</sup>. Also the Bluffton Parks Department will hold the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration at the high school stadium as in the past.

During the public comment section of the board meeting, Steve Frettinger inquired about the homeschool policy and Dr. Yates responded that it was expanded to include extracurricular activities and Mr. Mettler explained the homeschool student opportunities at the middle school.

With there being no additional business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:26 P.M. on a motion by Brent Hiday and second by Julie Thompson. The motion passed unanimously.

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES:

Bruce E Holland

Mike M  
Julie A Thompson